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East Germany

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REPORT NO.

TOPIC

Soviet Troop Trains

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EVALUATION

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DATE OF CONTENT

1 April to 17 May 1953

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13 July 1953

REFERENCES

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. The following additional troop trains were [redacted] between
 25X1X 18 April and 17 May 1953:

Date	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To	[Redacted]
25X1X 18 April	5 converted boxcars, 20 boxcars and 18 flatcars	Perleberg	Dranse	
	7 converted boxcars, 7 boxcars and 33 flatcars	Ludwigslust	Tangerhuette	
	4 converted boxcars, 11 flatcars and 14 PRM-type flatcars	Parchim	Dranse	
	7 converted boxcars, 5 boxcars and 23 flatcars	Perleberg	Dranse	
	9 converted boxcars, 10 boxcars and 38 flatcars	Perleberg	Dranse	
4 May	3 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar and 3 flatcars	Hagenow	Tangerhuette	
	14 converted boxcars, 48 flatcars and 3 boxcars	Wismar	Tangerhuette	
17 May	12 converted boxcars, 4 boxcars and 42 flatcars	Tangerhuette	Guebars (?)	

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- [REDACTED] 3. The following additional troop trains [REDACTED]
Gottbus railroad district between 1 and 13 April:

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Date in April	Composition of Troop Trains	Tons	From	[REDACTED]
1	1 boxcar and 2 SS-type flatcars	110	Weisswasser	[REDACTED]
4	1 boxcar and 5 SS-type flatcars	366	Weisswasser	[REDACTED]
10	1 boxcar and 7 SS-type flatcars	360	Weisswasser	[REDACTED]
	2 boxcars and 7 SS-type flatcars	400	Weisswasser	[REDACTED]
12	4 boxcars, 5 flatcars and 5 SS-type flatcars	360	Weisswasser	[REDACTED]
13	3 boxcars and 8 SSY-type flatcars	285	Weisswasser	[REDACTED]
11	11 SS-type flatcars	365	Spremberg	[REDACTED]
16	21 SS-type flatcars	800	Spremberg	[REDACTED]
	24 SS-type flatcars	766	Spremberg	[REDACTED]
17	22 SS-type flatcars	766	Spremberg	[REDACTED]
	25 SSY-type flatcars	770	Spremberg	[REDACTED]
18	12 boxcars	-	Spremberg	[REDACTED]
9	4 boxcars, 5 flatcars and 5 SSY-type flatcars	-	Luebben	[REDACTED]
15	9 boxcars and 16 SSY-type flatcars	-	Luebben	[REDACTED]
16	1 boxcar and 15 SSY-type flatcars	-	Luebben	[REDACTED]
	11 boxcars and 16 SSY-type flatcars	-	Luebben	[REDACTED]
	8 boxcars and 7 flatcars	-	Luebben	[REDACTED]
3	3 boxcars, 4 flatcars and 4 SS-type flatcars	-	Gottbus	[REDACTED]

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25X1C	Date in April	Composition of Troop Train	Tons	From	To
	3	1 boxcar and 4 SS-type flatcars	-	Cottbus	Weisswasser
	9	1 boxcar and 3 flatcars	-	Cottbus	Weisswasser
	15	4 boxcars and 15 RYM-type flatcars	-	Cottbus	Poitz

25X1 Except for the troop train on 18 April, all other trains were also loaded with tanks.

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3. The following additional troop trains were

between 10 and 23 April.

Date in April	Number of Cars	From	To
20	60	Rudolstadt	Aken 5
	51	Rudolstadt	Aken 5
22	42	Rudolstadt	Chrdruf 6
	62	Rudolstadt	Chrdruf 6
	54	Rudolstadt	Chrdruf 6
23	50	Rudolstadt	Chrdruf 6
	38	Rudolstadt	Chrdruf 6
	54	Rudolstadt	Chrdruf 6
10	57	Weimar	Altengrabow 7
16	33	Weimar	Crawinkel 8
	23	Weimar	Crawinkel 8
19	41 with vehicles	Weimar	Crawinkel 8
22	25 with vehicles	Weimar	Aken 8
24	37 with vehicles	Weimar	Aken 8

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25X1 [] Comment. Continuation of the movement of troops of the 18th Mezz Div as previously reported []. The units went from the three posts of the division to the Wittstock troop training grounds on and after 12 April 1953. [] reference report mentioned 31 troop trains. Including [] the additional 4 trains in the present report, the movement of the 18th Mezz Div totaled 35 troop trains.

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- 25X1A 2. [Comment] The Tangerhaette railroad station is detraining point of the Bittkau engineer training site. This indicates that the troop train [] carried elements of the 348th Engg Bn of the 18th Mocz Div, and the troop train [] a detail of the 107th Gds Engr Bn of the 94th Mtz Rifle Div. The units, however, have not been identified at Bittkau. The unit loaded on the troop train [] cannot be determined; there is no engineer unit stationed at Nismar. It is definitely believed that Luebeck was not receiving station of the troop train [] as this railroad station does not belong to the area covered []

25X1C 25X1A 3. [Comment] Troop trains with tank details of the 9th Mocz Div which went to the Weisswasser troop training grounds for firing practices previous to the time when the installation was handed over to the KVP. Units [] reported in connection with troop trains included: the 91st Tank Regt in Lubben, [] until 16 April 1953, [] Comment 4; and the 70th Mocz Regt in Cottbus, [] until 3 April 1953. [] the RTO of the Third Gds Mocz Army. [] an unidentified unit of the 9th Mocz Div in Cottbus.

25X1C 25X1C 25X1C 25X1C 25X1A 4. [Comment] The troop trains carried components of the 9th Mocz Div to the new Forst Tauer troop training grounds. [] the 69th Mocz Regt 25X1C the 9th Mocz Div in Cottbus until 15 April 1953.

25X1A 25X1C 5. [Comment] The two troop trains transported the 880th Engr Bn of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps which was previously confirmed in the Aken area by []

25X1A 6. [Comment] The present report, including the two troop trains from Rudolstadt to Aken, supplements the reference report. The six troop trains to Ohrdruf probably carried elements of the HQ XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, the 53rd Sig Bn (US), and the bulk of the 497th AAA Regt (US).

25X1A 7. [Comment] Two troop trains with light AAA units of the 13th AAA Div moving to Altengrabow on 10 April 1953 were previously reported.

25X1A 25X1C 8. [Comment] The troop trains carried the [] was engr bn of the Eighth Gds Army. [] the RTO of the Eighth Gds Army.

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